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A Little Help Please

408-710-1655

We need some help finding a Vietnam Veteran. Our information is very slim but we hope someone out there can help us out. Our veteran was in LRRP outfit in 'Nam then in Gilroy was a security guard at the **Gilroy High School** campus. Call the Adjutant if you can help us out 408-607-3280 **Email** raymond.sanchez2 @verizon.net

Assorted Information... we received numerous complements about the last newsletter and the Joe Kline pictures, we will make sure to pass the information along to Joe, one more bit of information, Joe Kline has been named Grand Marshal of the Memorial Day Parade and was also named Veteran of the Year by our post he will be recognized at our June 13th Anniversary Dinner, tickets are on sale now...beginning in July you will receive your first renewal notice, pay only one time, the national office will continue to send you notices in spite of the fact that you paid, DO NOT PAY YOUR DUES TWICE...this will be the last issue of the newsletter until September...keep the Memorial Day Remembrance in mind the flyer is in this issue...save July 5th and come on down for the bar-b-que and renew your membership early...the color guard will bear the colors for the 4th of July parade in Morgan Hill this year ...volunteers are needed for the honor guard and the color guard call Camilo at 408-230-4987 and tell him your interested...in May we will be electing new officers and the adjutant has chosen not to seek reelection Robert Ortiz will be your new adjutant he will produce this newsletter and carry on the responsibilities of the office we are sure he will do a good job.

For Your Information And For The Benefit Of Our New Members

Some of the purposes of our Anniversary Dinner is to recognize our Veteran of the Year and to make the community aware of our participation in veteran's affairs and community involvement. This year we will recognize an Educator of the Year because of our connection to the schools. Each year at the middle schools promotion ceremonies our post awards certificates and medallions for scholastic achievement to outstanding students. We award scholarships to students at Gavilan College. This year 85 students applied for our 6 scholarships. We sponsor students to Boys State where they learn about all levels of government. Recently, one of our sponsored students earned a free trip to Washington DC. These are some of the reasons our anniversary dinner has become so important to our post. This is where we raise some money for our school projects and this is how we keep the community informed of what goes on with the American Legion.

Coming Events

All business meetings and socials begin at 6:00 PM

May 7th
Business
Meeting & Election
Social 21st

June 4th
Installation of
Officers
NO SOCIAL

July 5th
Members only
bar-b-que
1:00 PM

July & August no meeting no social





Remember this building?







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CORDIALLY INVITES YOU TO THE MEMORIAL DAY REMEMBRANCE CEREMONY MAY 25, 2015 9:00 AM

> St Mary Cemetery Gilroy, Ca.

JOIN US FOR THE MOST IMPORTANT MEASURE OF THE DAY, THAT WHICH HONORS OUR FALLEN HEROES, THOSE WHO MADE THE SUPREME SACRIFICE TO INSURE OUR FREEDOM





PLEASE JOIN US AT 10TH AND MONTEREY STREETS 11 am FOR THE MEMORIAL DAY PARADE AND THE GRAND MARSHAL, THEN ON TO CHRISTMAS HILL PARK FOR THE FAMILY FUN DAY Visit us at www.americanlegion217.org



Celebrate With Us

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94th Anniversary

1921-2015

Join Us For A Special Dinner As We Honor Our Members, Our Veteran Of The Year And The Educator Of The Year

> June 13, 2015 5:30 pm Veterans Memorial Building 74 West 6th Street Gilroy

This Special Dinner Event Is Open To The Public Pre-sold tickets only \$12. Per person

> Make checks payable and mail to: **American Legion Post #217** 74 West 6th Street #D Gilroy, Ca. 95020 Please write plainly

> > For ticket purchases Ray Sanchez, Adjutant 408-607-3280 raymond.sanchez2@verizon.net

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